

BRITISH STAFF CHIEF RESIGNS

Robertson Objected to Limited Power—Refused a Seat on War Council

PREMIER TO MAKE FULL EXPLANATION

General Sir Henry H. Wilson Becomes Chief of British Staff

London, Feb. 18.—General Sir William Robertson, chief of the British imperial staff, has resigned, it was officially announced Saturday night. Gen. Wilson, sub-chief of staff, takes the vacant place.

Gen. Robertson was unable, the statement says, to accept a position as military representative on the supreme war council at Versailles or to continue as chief of the imperial general staff with limited power.

The official announcement of the change says: "The extension of the functions of the permanent military representative decided on by the supreme war council at their last meeting at Versailles has necessitated the limitation of the special powers hitherto exercised by the chief of imperial general staff by virtue of the order of council of Jan. 27, 1916.

"In these circumstances the government thought it right to offer General Sir William Robertson the choice of becoming the British military representative on the supreme war council at Versailles, or continuing as chief of the imperial staff under new conditions.

"Gen. Sir William Robertson, for reasons which will be explained in a statement which will be made by the prime minister in the House of Commons in the coming week, did not see his way to accept either position, and the government has, with much regret, accepted his resignation.

"Gen. Sir Henry Wilson has accepted the position of chief of the imperial general staff. The appointment of the British permanent representative at Versailles will be announced in a few days."

The inference to be drawn from the British official statement regarding Gen. Robertson's resignation seems clearly to be that the supreme war council has been given the powers which its name implies and that it will be, in fact, the directing head of all the allied military operations.

There have been many rumors recently that Gen. Robertson was to retire as chief of the British staff and be replaced by Maj. Sir Henry Hughes Wilson, the sub-chief of staff and British military representative of the supreme war council.

The suggestion was, however, that should this change be made, Gen. Robertson would exchange places with Gen. Wilson and become the British military member of the Versailles council.

ITALY'S QUEEN TELLS OF HER GRATITUDE

To the American Red Cross at Genoa for Its Work in Opening a Canteen and Refreshment Station in Genoa.

Genoa, Italy, Feb. 18.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—From Queen Helena of Italy, the American Red Cross committee for Genoa has received a telegram expressing her appreciation and that of King Emmanuel for its "high and beneficent work" in opening a canteen and refreshment place in the railroad station at Genoa. The Genoa committee was organized early in November, erected a chalet in the station yard and served as many as six hundred refugees in a single night, during the height of the Teutonic invasion.

Now that the influx of refugees has decreased, the scope of the canteen work has been expanded to include Italian, British and French soldiers passing through.

The new work was formally inaugurated this week in the presence of municipal and army authorities. Paul Grosjean, manager of the Genoa branch of the American Red Cross organization in Italy, a Belgian, has enthusiastically undertaken the American work.

"The small nations, overwhelmed by the barbarian, have stronger faith than ever," he said. "This is an example to us. To these little nations have come in aid the great nations in an outpouring of high idealism of justice. The American Red Cross represents the spirit of humanity that animates the entire American people. It has given immediate aid to unfortunates forced to abandon their homes. It works throughout Italy in harmony with the country's institutions. It intensifies the bonds of solidarity and sympathy between the two countries. Out of the awful struggle a good has come. Nations understand each other, draw nearer together, and strengthen their friendly relations. The American Red Cross and the Italian Red Cross will work together in a holy mission of giving comfort and aid."

Consul General David T. Wilber expressed America's appreciation of cordial collaboration shown by citizens of Genoa. The mayor of Genoa responded warmly for the civilian authorities and General Garfione for the military.

"American, Italian and Red Cross flags were flying and the station was thronged with a cheering crowd."

TO CONSIDER FINANCE.

Great Britain Is Getting Ready for Peace Reorganization.

London, Feb. 18.—A committee of bankers and other prominent financiers has been appointed to consider the problems which will arise in connection with currency and foreign exchange during the period of reconstruction and report on the steps required to bring about the restoration of normal conditions in due course. Lord Curzon represents the Bank of England on this committee.

SENDING MILK TO GERMANY.

Holland Is Shipping 38,000 Quarts Daily for Butter Making.

Amsterdam, Feb. 18.—Holland is still sending 38,000 quarts of milk daily to Germany for butter making, according to official figures published here.



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ARREST OWNER OF EXPLOSIVES

Army Intelligence Agents Say That Popper Had Mysterious Laboratory.

New York, Feb. 18.—Agents attached to the army intelligence service went to a tenement house in East 128th street Saturday afternoon, where they found a completely equipped laboratory especially adapted to the testing of high explosives. The man in charge of the laboratory, Jacob S. Popper, says that he is an American of Rumanian parentage and that he is an experimenter employed by the French government.

He is locked up at police headquarters, and it was said at the office of the United States district attorney Saturday afternoon that he would be arraigned before United States Commissioner Hitchcock today. The nature of the charge which is to be filed against him was not disclosed.

It was said Saturday night that agents of the army intelligence service received information about 10 days ago that a well equipped laboratory was located in an inconspicuous tenement house on the upper east side. The place was located, and the order was issued Saturday morning to take Popper into custody.

BRITISH LABOR BODY RAPS DISLOYALTY

Building Trades Federation Repudiates Resolution Against the "Comb-Out" Plan.

York, England, Feb. 18.—At the quarterly meeting of the Federation of the Shipbuilding and Building Trades being held here, the action of the Clyde district committee of the federation on the "comb-out" situation came under strong criticism and a protest was made against attempts to foment unrest among the workers. The federation passed a resolution strongly repudiating the resolutions passed by the Clyde and Mersey district committees of the federation. The Manchester and Newcastle district committees have already disassociated themselves from the terms of the Clyde resolution.

One shop steward who supported the Clyde resolution admitted that the men there were decidedly against carrying it into effect.

The workers in the engineering shops in the Clyde district recently passed a resolution opposing the "comb-out" of men from protected occupations under the military service bill.

U. S. ADMIRAL WROTH

When He Learned of French Fleet Keeper's Extortionate Prices.

Paris, Feb. 18.—French newspapers praise the American admiral commanding a United States squadron, stationed at a French port, for his summary and effective action against tradesmen and others who have been charging the American sailors extortionate prices for merchandise and service.

In one case, it is stated, the admiral was notified that a certain hotel had been overcharging the American naval officers. The admiral immediately placed two sentries at the door of the hotel, ordered all officers residing there to leave immediately, and commanded the sentries not to permit another American to enter the place until further orders. Faced with ruin, the proprietor offered to make any amends which the admiral demanded.

DOCTORS FAILED TO HELP

But Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Removed the Cause of this Woman's Illness.

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URGE SPEED ON RAILROAD BILL

Administration Leaders Say Transportation Problem Is Delayed

WORLD'S CRISIS NEAR, SAYS ROBINSON

Will Debate Passage of the Measure This Week in Congress

Washington, Feb. 18.—Speeding up of debate and passage of the administration railroad bill this week were urged on the Senate Saturday by administration leaders, who declared the working out of the whole transportation question was being delayed for lack of legislation contemplated in the measure.

Senator Smith, in charge of the bill, announced he would seek Monday to fix a time for a final vote.

In urging speedy action on the bill, Majority Leader Martin said Director-General McAdoo was much embarrassed by the want of legislation and had called him on the telephone yesterday to point out the measure's importance.

Debate on the measure continued yesterday, with Senator Cummins, who is opposing the proposed standard of compensation, and Senator Robinson supporting the legislation, as the principal speakers. The Iowa senator reiterated his declaration that the standard return provided in the measure is excessive, and sounded a warning against taking any step that would result in a spirit of unrest in the country, as it would retard prosecution of the war.

Senator Robinson in reply declared that the compensation provided is no greater than would be fixed by a court, and pleaded for quick enactment of the bill so that the situation resulting from the taking over of control of the railroads by the government can be clarified.

"The supreme crisis which now confronts civilization will probably be passed within the next six months," declared Senator Robinson. "Every student must recognize the necessity for marshaling our resources and intelligently and forcefully applying our energies. Along almost 500 miles of battlefield a conflict will likely soon begin which may determine the fate of civilization. We must in the immediate future send into France soldiers, munitions and food supplies."

"In the accomplishment of this task the railroads must perform an indispensable function. We need and must have a unified control of the railroads; we need and must have a vigorous and efficient policy in the operation of them. This measure is designed to facilitate that end. Its passage is awaited by the administration and the public with anxiety."

Senator Watson plans to discuss the bill to-day and Senator Johnson of California will speak to-morrow.

COAL JOBBERS TO BE CUT OUT

National Fuel Administration Will Dispose with the Middle-men.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Jobbers' commissions on coal, ranging from 15 to 30 cents a ton, will be abolished April 1, the fuel administration announced Saturday. Lower coal prices to consumers are expected to result.

Profiteering by coal operators, who set up subsidiary jobbers with the sole function of collecting this commission, caused this step by Fuel Administrator Garfield. After April 1 prices to retailers will be the same whether coal is purchased from jobbers or from mines direct. Prices at the mine will be increased "slightly," the fuel administration stated, "the exact amount yet to be determined. Jobbers will have to make their expenses out of this increase."

GERMAN BOMBS IN NORWAY.

Were Intended to Blow Up Ships Carrying Iron to England.

Christiania, Feb. 18.—French discoveries of bombs of German origin have been found in Norway. A large store of bombs intended to blow up ships carrying iron ore to England was uncovered a few days ago at Kirkenes, a seaport. Nine large bombs and a number of smaller engines of destruction were located at Finden in a room formerly occupied by alleged accomplices of Baron Reuterfeldt, whose operations were extensively aired several months ago.

A WAR FOR IDEALS IS BEING FOUGHT

President Butler of Columbia University Says It Is Ideal of World Domination on the One Hand and National Liberty on the Other.

The following is an abstract of an address on "The Road to Durable Peace," by President Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia university before the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce Saturday night, Feb. 16:

The war which now involves the whole world, is on the part of the allies, avowedly a war not for conquest, for revenge, or for economic advantage, but a war to restore the rule of law and to establish durable peace. No other war has ever been fought for a like motive. This explains the fact that it has been entered upon by the several allied peoples not with shouting, with excitement, or with wild demonstration, but with restraint, with firm conviction, and with stern resolve. The aim of the war is to stop war so far as this is humanly possible.

If in the past war has seemed to be a biological necessity, an essential part of the struggle for existence, it is only because the world had not risen to the plane of substituting moral co-operation for physical competition. A materialistic world, bent only on profit and on accumulation, is likely always to be a world that plans and invites war. On the other hand, a world that is built on a foundation of moral and spiritual insight and conviction, will be a world from which war is excluded by every means that man can devise.

In order to tread the road to a durable peace, we must grasp not only the exact facts as they relate to the origin and prosecution of the war on the part of

the central empires, but also the underlying causes which conspired to bring the war about.

To say that the war sprang from the desire of Austria-Hungary to oppress Serbia, or from the conflicting ambitions of Russia and Germany in southeastern Europe, or from commercial rivalry between Germany and Great Britain, is simply to delude oneself with superficial appearances. It is a case of camouflage. The cause of the war and the reason that the war was inevitable (as we can now see) is a conflict of ideals in the life of the world.

It is clear now that the old notion of a world-dominating power was not dead. This was the notion which sent Alexander the Great and his army into Asia. This was the notion which built up the legions and inspired the policy of ancient Rome. This was the notion which took possession of the mind of Charlemagne. This was the notion which harnessed to its services the dynamic energy and the military genius of Napoleon Bonaparte. This notion was not, as men generally thought in 1914, dead and gone and a matter for the historian alone. It was still slumbering and then taking active form in the minds of the ruling caste of the German empire. With them it was based upon a philosophy of history and of life which made the German people, like the Hebrews of old, the chosen partners of God himself in the subjection and civilization of the world.

When this notion took possession of so powerful, so active-minded, and so highly disciplined a people as the Germans, it became only a question of time when it must find itself in a life and death struggle with the opposing principle. This is the dominating fact which stands out above and beyond all particular explanations of the origin of the war. The war is at bottom a final struggle between the principle of world domination and the principle of a group of friendly, co-operating nations, all equal in sovereignty and in dignity in the eye of the world.

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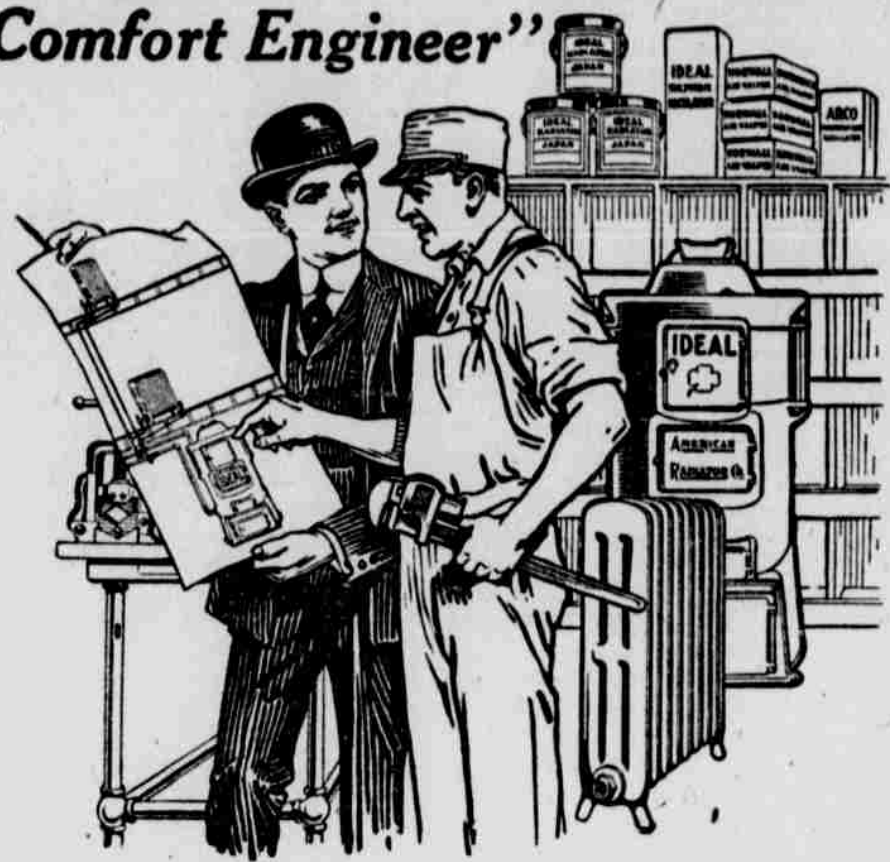
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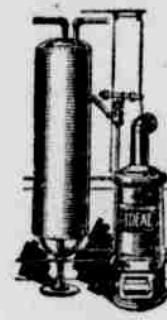
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world's law, however varied they may be in resources and in power.

That with which we are at war, therefore, is not a people or a race, but an idea. We should have had to be at war with that idea no matter what people or what race had acted as its agents. If this idea of world domination had been adopted by Italy, and if Italy had attacked the world in its interest, we should be at war with Italy. If this idea of world domination had been adopted by Japan, and if Japan had attacked the world in its interest, we should be at war with Japan. If this idea of world domination had been adopted by Russia, and if Russia had attacked the world in its interest, we should be at war with Russia. But as a matter of fact this idea was adopted by Germany, and it was Germany which attacked the world in its interest; therefore we are at war with Germany.

The road to durable peace begins at the point where this false notion of world domination is given up once for all. Commercial interpretation, financial control, and military dominance are the three forms in which the lust for world power manifests itself. A free world made up of independent, liberty-loving nations must combine to prevent any one of these. The liberty-loving nations have almost with unanimity now combined in this war for that very purpose.

A false idea is not really conquered until it is overthrown in the minds of those who have entertained it. What we must reach, therefore, is the mind, the conscience, and the heart of the German people. We must by military defeat compel them to leave off looking for new worlds to conquer, and turn their thought inward to prepare the way for those same ideas of co-operation between nations, of the sacredness of treaty obligations, of the rights of small nations, and of the duties of great powers toward submerged nationalities, which are now part of the mental furniture of liberal minded men and women throughout the world. If in 1848 the aspirations of so large a portion of the German people had not been disappointed and crushed, the history of the past 50 years might have been written in letters of gold instead of in letters of so much blood.

It has been plain, since the battle of the Marne, that Germany and her allies could not win this war. The history of the conflict from Sept. 6, 1914, has been one of varying fortunes, but, viewed in the largest possible way, it is a history of slow but sure German defeat. The amazing exhibition of military power made by France and by the citizen soldiers of Great Britain has been adequate to hold in check the enormous and highly trained armies of the central empires. Distress, unhappiness, and grave doubt as to the outcome and issues of the war are now widespread in Germany and in Austria-Hungary. All these facts contribute to the breaking down of the real for world domination and increase the chance of a durable peace to follow the war.

The terms of that peace have been stated at intervals for three and one-half

years past by some of the leading responsible statesmen of the world. The early declarations of Mr. Asquith and of M. Briand could hardly be improved. The later ones of the prime minister of England and of the president of the United States have awakened resounding echoes throughout the world and have been listened to even by the peoples with whom we are at war. It is quite idle, however, to talk of a negotiated peace if by that we mean a peace that shall leave the vital issues of the war unsettled. The result would be not a peace but an armistice. This would last until our children, or our children's children, armed to the teeth and bearing meanwhile the crushing burden of huge military establishments, took up again the task that we laid down without having carried it to accomplishment. That would not be a fortunate or an honorable legacy for this generation to leave to its successors. We must persist with steadfastness and with all possible speed until the war is definitely won, and until our enemies admit that they have lost in the combat which they forced upon the world.

When that end has been accomplished, the world will have traveled a long way on the road toward a durable peace. While it is true that the coming international organization and the coming international economic relationships will powerfully aid in establishing and in maintaining peace, yet after all, the main thing is to remove from the world a notion and a purpose that compel armaments and that eventually force war. That notion and that purpose are those of world domination. The cry, Weltmacht oder Niedergang, comes from a shallow mind and from a hardened heart. The alternative to Weltmacht is not Niedergang. It is rather membership in a family of nations, each one of which is possessed of what I have described as the international mind. This is nothing else than that habit of thinking of foreign relations and business, and that habit of dealing with them, which regard the several nations of the civilized world as friendly and co-operating equals in aiding the progress of civilization, in developing commerce and industry, and in spreading enlightenment and culture throughout the world.

Given this, and it will be easy to establish and maintain an international organization to keep the peace of the world, as well as to establish and maintain international economic relationships that shall promote human happiness and human satisfaction. Without this condition, all schemes for international organization and international co-operation are futile and will not long ward off a disaster which takes its origin in wrong and false ideas planted in the hearts of men and nations.

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VapoRub comes in salve form and when applied over the throat and chest, the body heat releases medicated vapors that are inhaled with

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One rubbing with VapoRub usually relieves croup within 15 minutes and an application at bedtime prevents a night attack. For head colds, hay fever, catarrh or asthmatic troubles, VapoRub can either be applied up the nostrils or a little melted in a spoon and the vapors inhaled.

The progressive druggists here are anxious that their customers should try this new treatment, and are, therefore, offering VapoRub on 30 days' trial.